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LOK SABHA

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LPT IN RENTED BUILDING
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of TV/AIR Transmitters of different categories including Low Power Transmitters (LPTs) set up in rented buildings, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to set up these Transmitters in own building instead of rented buildings;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to upgrade/modernise the existing LPTs during the XIIth Five Year Plan; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (DR. S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN)

(a) Prasar Bharati has informed that presently, 971 TV transmitters of different categories are functioning in rented buildings. State-wise number is given at Annexure − I.

As regards All India Radio, 6 nos of AIR Transmitters have been setup in rented buildings. In addition to this, 12 nos of 100 Watt FM transmitters are set up in rented buildings. State wise detail is given below:

S.N.	State	No. of AIR transmitter
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3 { 1 (1KW FM) + 2 (100 W FM)}
2.	Bihar	4 (100 W FM)
3.	Jharkhand	1 (100 W FM)
4.	Karnataka	1 (100 W FM)
5.	Meghalaya	2 (CRS)
6.	Mizoram	1 (CRS)
7.	Nagaland	2 (CRS)
8.	Odisha	1 (100 W FM)
9.	Tamilnadu	3 (100 W FM)

(b) & (c) Buildings are constructed by Doordarshan in case of HPT Projects. LPTs & VLPTs are generally set up in rented buildings. Only in exceptional cases, buildings are constructed for LPTs/VLPTs. In 11th Plan, projects of construction of buildings for 10 LPTs were approved. Out of these, 6 buildings have since been constructed and construction of 4 buildings is in progress.

As regards All India Radio, 5 nos. of 1 kW MW CRS have been proposed for upgradation to Local Radio Station (LRS) in 12th Five Year Plan, which would however be subject to the allocation of funds and approval by Planning Commission. After this these transmitters are likely to be shifted to AIR Building. Presently, at Suryapet 1 kW FM transmitter (Interim Setup) is functional in building owned by BSNL and construction of AIR's building is under progress. As soon as the building is constructed the transmitter would be shifted in AIR building.

(d) & (e) Projects of replacement of 110 existing old LPTs by 500 Watt Automode LPTs (1+1) are presently under implementation and these are expected to be completed in phases, by 2013-14. State-wise details are given at Annexure-II.